GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:202
ANSWERED ON:15.12.2004
MEDICAL COLLEGES VIOLATING PROVISIONS OF MCI
Singh Shri Mohan

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that a number of Private and Government Medical Colleges are teaching new subjects without obtaining permission in violation of the provisions of the Medical Council of India;

(b) if so, the future of the medical degrees which have not been recognized and the measures being taken by the Government to curb them;

(c) the number of Government and Private Medical Colleges not fulfilling the norms prescribed by the medical Council of India for recognition;

(d) whether the Medical Council of India has recommended derecognition of a few such medical colleges; and

(e) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS)

(a)to(e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 202 FOR 15TH DECEMBER, 2004

With the coming into force of the Indian Medical Council (Amendment) Act, 1993, except with the prior permission of the Central Government obtained in accordance with the provisions of the Act, no person shall establish a new medical college or open a new or higher course of study in medicine or increase the admission capacity in any course of study.

There is no information with the Government with regard to any Private or Government Medical College teaching new subjects without obtaining permission in violation of the provisions of the Medical Council of India.

Any medical qualification granted to any student by any medical college in violation of the said provisions of the Act shall not be a recognized qualification for the purposes of the Act. Besides, no person shall be entitled for enrollment on a State Medical Register or the Indian Medical Register to practice modern scientific medicine in India or for registration of additional qualifications unless the persons concerned possesses a recognized qualification included in the Schedules to the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956.

The Medical Council of India (MCI) conducts inspections of the medical colleges on an annual basis in respect of a new medical college established under Section 10 A of the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956, till the time of its recognition and during the periodical inspections in respect of Colleges already recognized under the Act to determine that the Colleges are functioning in accordance with the provisions of the Act and the norms laid down by the Council. In respect of eight recognized State Government/Private medical colleges which according to MCI were not found fully complying with the norms during such periodical inspections, the MCI has recommended initiation of derecognition proceedings. The Central Government, as a first step, has advised the State Governments concerned to rectify the deficiencies pointed out by the MCI and to furnish the compliance reports thereon to enable the MCI to verify the same.